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THE NEPHEW OF HIS UNCLE Investigation of the Tilden Ciphers

Commenced. A Confiding Uncle the Victim of a Graceless

Nephew-Peltor the Man of Gramercy Park-Ilis Mischlef Planned while the Old Man Slept-Samuel . Rebukes the Wickedness of His Relative.

Pelton to be Made the Scapegoat. doubts as to whether he will be. This, however, does not make any material difference.

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Bridge Policy Sand was fined by Judge Board supprison to the testion at the same time and in the same time and in the same form published. The dispatch commencing "Majority of the board have been secured, &c.," was substantially correct. He did not go to Florida; never had anything to do with a plot to buy four members of the South Carolina Legislature.

Mr. Springer asked "Had you any commun.

olin Legislature.

Mr. Springer asked, "Had you any communication on the subject with Mr. Tilden the
day before election, either directly or indirectly, up to the time the South Carolina canvassing board met, or did you have any after?"

Answer. Yes; I met him at the Everett
House. He took me to task—I cannot give you the exact words—about the proposition, and stated that he never authorized any such proceeding; that while he lived he would never become President under such circum

Several cipher dispatches purporting to be signed by witness were read. Some he recog-nized and briefly explained; others he did not remember or acknowledge. Witness (examined by Mr. Reed) said he received the cipher, he thinks, from Pelton. He supposed Pelton-could raise the sixty thousand or eighty thou-sand for the South Carolina, returning board sand for the South Carolina returning board. Knew the executive committee of the Demo-cratic party would give the money if asked for Knew the executive committee of the Demo-cratic party would give the money if asked for it. Pelton was the only person with whom he cattle men, and two of their herders were conversed before leaving for the South, and killed by Indians, supposed to be a part of Lit-witness looked upon him as the head of the Will's band. Eighty head of horses were the Wolf's band. Eighty head of horses were leaving for the south, and will be the United States, the New Idrial Mining Company, and William McGarmovement. Pelton told him to address all telegrams to Henry Havemeyer, from whom he could get copies. When Pelton met him in Baltimore he told him he expected to receive the money that morning from Edward Cooper, but the money was not forthcoming and the Scheme fell through.

At the evening session the cross-examination

of Weed was resumed. He denied sending such a cipher dispatch as the *Tribuns* published from Baltimore to General Gordon; did not remember many other cipher dispatches which were read, or desied that the translations of those he did remember were correct. Knew that Re did remember were correct. Knew that Polton kept up negotiations concerning Flor-Ida after being remonstrated with by Tilden, Witness did not know of one dollar sont South on his recommendation. Made no effort to ruise money, but kept Solomon, of South Carolina, bere with expections of money,

Edward Cooper, Mayor of New York, testicated the Mayor of New York, testicated the

fed: I saw Mr. Pelton the evening before he went to Baltimore in Governor Tilden's house. He was about going to the train, and said he was going to Baltimore to meet Mr. Weed and others, and he said he might want to telegraph others, and he said he might want to telegraph me, and to send him some money. Next day received a telegram from Mr. Pelton, asking me for \$60,000 or \$80,000. I was astonished; and went at once to Governor Tilden's house, and he said Pelton must be telegraphed to re-turn at once. I never was authorized to send Mr. Pelton any money, nor did I intend to do so. Mr. Tilden was also surprised at Pelcon director of the control to do so. Mr. Tilden was also surprised at Pelton's dispatch. I cannot say whether Mr. Tilden knew that Pelton had gone to Baltimore. He scened angry and impatient when's he heard Pelton had gone there. His impression of Pelton's dispatch was the same as mine, mmely, that he was negotiating to purchase an electoral vote. I never knew of Mr. Tilden making any attempt to purchase electoral votes, or of any proposition, either directly or indirectly, to use money in Plorida. I did not rectly, to use money in Florida. I did not know the cliner used between Weed and Pelton. That Mr. Weed should be in Baltimore at the time with Pelton made a strong impression on my mind. I think I mentioned that fact to Mr. Tilden. I know nothing about money for Oregon—whether it was furnished, where it come from, or where it went to. There was no effort made to sever Mr. Pelton's connection with the National Demogratic Committee after with the National Democratic Committee after

his actions.

At the conclusion of Mayor Cooper's exam ination the subcommittee adjourned until to-morrow. It has been decided to subporna Gov-ernor Chamberlain.

THE BLODGETT INQUIRY.

Statement Made by Judge Blodgett. CHICAGO, Feb. 5.-Several witnesses testified in the Blodgett case to-day that A. C. Hesing had used violent language against Blodgett and threatened to pursue him.

Judge Blodgett was called, and said Hesing

and Vocke came to him and said Vocke had Hesing's note, secured by stock, for \$15,000 that Hesing was bankrupt and judgment would be dearrous. Witness was accustomed in such cases to offer securities at special sale, according to the law, which he quoted, Witness surgested that Vocke ask bids, and Leaks or Vocke produced an order, which witness approved. On the 16th of April Vocke reported several bids received, the smallness of which disappointed both Vocke and witness. Witness then called on Mr. Coolbatgh, the banker, who told him Hesthat Hesing was bankrupt and judgment Vocks and witness. Witness then called on taste that, with some other association with Mr. Coolbangh, the banker, who told him Heshave been acquired from long association with ing's caper was peculiar. The Staats Zeitung his nucle, for Mr. Tilden's fondness for brokening's cape horses is proverbial among his was a close corporation, and the stock was valuable only to the controlling interest, and therefore Vecke would assume as much responsibility in refusing as accepting these bids. In view of this witness confirmed the sale. He

then made explanations tending to show that he did nothing to prevent the grand jury from making a full investigation of Register Hib-

Charleston Races,

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 5.—The first day's races of the South Carolina Jockey Club on the Washington course was well attended. The weather was cloudy and damp and the track somewhat beavy. First race, mile dash, for two-year-olds-after several false starts, in one of which the horses ran over the whole course by mistake, they all got off well together, and, after an exciting contest, Eunice won, May Walton and Ben Hill very close second and New York, Feb. 5.—The subcommittee of the Petter investigating committee arrived from Washington this morning, and communed proceedings soon after noon at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Mr. Springer, of the committee, stated that the inquiry will be pushed right through, with the view of concluding by Saturday noon. In reply to a question as to whether Governor Tilden had been subparased, Mr. Springer said: "He has not, and I have my

Baltimore Election Frauds.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 5.-In the United States for in any case we shall give him an oppor- Circuit Court to-day William H. Wooden, clerk tunity of appearing before the committee, and of election in the Eighth Ward, indicted for not likely be will rain the golden chance, interfering with the United States supervisor at the late Congressional election, pleaded guilty, and was fined by Judge Bond \$5 and

Mysterious Shooting Affair. BRIDGEPORT, CONN., Feb. 5 .- Hugo Hartman, a saloon keeper of East Bridgeport, last night shot his wife and then himself, both in the breast, with an air-gun. Hartman refuses to make any statement of the affair, but the wife claims the first shot was accidental, and the second from excitement occasioned by the result of the first shot. The gun, however, was reloaded between the two discharges. Neither wound is probably fatal.

Fatal Powder Explosion. CINCINNATI, Feb. 5 .- A dispatch says a miner of the McHenry coal mines, Kentucky, on the Paducah and Elizabethtown Railroad. on the Faducati and Francisco of powder in his nouse, let drop a spark into the can and an explosion followed, tearing out the whole side of the house and fatally injuring the miner, his wife, and child,

Cattle Men Killed by Indians. OMARIA, NEB., Feb. 5 .- At Moorhead's cattle ranche, on Niebrara River, January 27, Frank run off and a number of cattle killed.

Progress of the Southern Pacific Railroad. (Special dispatch to the Republican. END OF TRACK S. P. R. R.,

ARIZONA, Feb. 5. Twelve thousand feet of track laid yester-J. H. STROBRIDGE, Chief of Construction.

Schooner Lost. KINGSTON, JAMAICA, Feb. 5.-The schooner

Helen A. Hoyt, from Charleston for Buston, was lost off Cape Hatteras on the 12th of Jan unry. The captain and crew escaped in a small boat, without provisions, and have landed here. The steward perished from exposure. Given Up as Lost.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., Feb. 5.—No tidings have been received from the schooner Cunard, which sailed from here for Greenland last June in a halibut trip with a crow of twelve men, since she touched at Point Mulgrave N. S. October 20. She is given up as lost.

Sale of a Railroad. TOPEKA, KANSAS, Feb. 5 .- The Kansas City and Santa Fe and the Missouri River, Fort Scott and Gulf Railroads were sold under fore-

closure yesterday and bought in by the bond-holders. Royal Arch Election ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 5 .- David F. Day was

to-day elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of this State. Colonel Petton in Public.

Colonel William T. Pelton, who still remains he nephew of his uncle, Democratic rumors to the contrary notwithstanding, has so far ecovered from his cipher exposure and hasty trip to Canada "to see the country" that he now appears on the street like any other resident, except that he usually takes cab. He is living at the Everett House, under whose roof the cipher dispatches were nostly received and sent. Colonel Pelton, soon after his return from Canada, was very little in the public eye, though he was considerably in the public mind. He sought the seclusion that n hotel grants, and so did "his sisters, and his cousins, and his aunts," although the hotel clerk frequently remarked to callers that "Colonel Pelton had gone out with the hidies." At the Everett House he now dines at the public table, and does not shun the gaze of eyes carious to see the man who could not tell a lie, and "owned right up" that his uncle knew nothing about the purchase of an elector in Oregon. hotel grants, and so did "his sisters, and his

on Oregon.
Since the beginning of the cipher investigation Colonel Pelton has been the best patron of the backs that stand in front of the Everett House. His course is often toward the comCURRENT CAPITAL TOPICS.

Injury to Trade by Delays in Tobacco Legislation.

Complaints from the Parties in Interest-Secretary Thompson Opposed to Mr. Blaine's Navy Bill-The McGarrahan Claim - National Bank Statistics - The Baltimore Post-Office.

Uncertainty of Legislation Ruinous.

A number of tobacco manufacturers from various parts of the country have held several conferences here recently, and have united in a written request to the Senate Committee on Finance to take definite action, as soon as practicable, on the amendatory revenue bill and to fix the tax on tobacco at sixteen cents as pound. The signers of this request argue that if the tax should be fixed at twenty cents, as proposed by a majority of the committee, at a special most of the first suffering and entailing heavy losses on the manufacturers, one of whom said that every delay of thirty days is a loss to him of \$10,000.

The Senate committee, at a special meeting yesterday afternoon, voted to strike out the tobacco bonded warehouse sections of the House bill amendatory of the intornal revenue laws, and the punishment of infractions thereof.

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yesterday afternoon, voted to strike out the tobacco bonded warehouse sections of the House bill amendatory of the internal revenue laws, and also agreed that another and final vote shall be taken on the tobacco tax question at a meeting to be held this morning. At that time also the committee will vote upon the clause

yesterday in advocacy of the proposed repeal. It is the expectation of the committee to report the bill back to the Senate to-day.

Objections to Senator Blaine's Bill.

Mr. Sargent presented in the Senate yesterday a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, in points out the small number of eadet midship- the route will be awarded to him. men that will graduate under the present six years' course with the limitation put upon the appointments at large under the recent con-struction of the law, and expresses his belief that the casualties in the higher grades will continue to make vacancies in the rank of en-sign equal to the number of cadet midshipmen graduating. Neither does he doem the number of officers in the navy disproportioned to the number of men that should be employed in the navy. He points out the necessity for more men when the addition to the naval ves-sels now ready to be made are completed, and urges provision for such increase in the force scamen. He says the modern style of war ships requires an additional number of men for the guns, and unless an increase of force is au-thorized the Department will be unable to man properly all the vessels intended for the several squadrons,

Rancho Panoche Grande.

The House Committee on Public Lands yes-The House Committee on Public Lands yesterday authorized Representative Wigginton to report to the House for passage a bill substantially identical with the measure recently introduced in the Senate by Mr. Garland, providing for an adjudication by the Court of \$31,100.09, and Baltimore, \$3,984.88. viding for an adjudication by the Court of Claims (and ultimately by the Supreme Court) of all the conflicting titles or claims to the Rancho Panoche Grande, which includes the New Idria Quicksilver Mines of California.

The National Banks,

The Comptroller of the Currency reports that the total amount of bonds held by ma-Pacific Railway sixes, and \$9,000,150 are fivetwenties. The banks also hold \$184,856,300 of 5 per cents, of which amount \$65,319,850 are ten-fortics and the remainder, \$119,536,450 fives of 1881. There are also held by the banks \$43,578,550 of 4½ per cents, and \$52,542,700 of 4 per cents. The Comptreller reports an increase in national bank circulation in the month of November, 1878, of \$840,441; in December, as increase of \$490,615, and in January, 1879, \$607,995, making a total increase for the last three months of \$1,939,051. For the months of September and October, 1878, there was a de-crease in national bank circulation of \$1,024,447. The amount of national bank ciroutstanding on the 1st inst. was \$322,930,849,

Baltimore Post-Office.

The Secretary of the Treasury has sent to the House of Representatives, in accordance with the provisions of a clause in the sundry civil appropriation bill of last year, a report from John Frazer, acting Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department, and General O. E. Rabcock, engineer of the fifth light-house district, in which the necessities for a new post-office building at Baltimore are pointed out and the purchase of a site and the crection of a new building is roummended. The Secretary, in transmitting the report, suggests that in view of the large number of public buildings now in process of construc-tion the site only be purchased and the crec-tion of the building postponed until so ne of tion or the building postponed until so ne of the others are completed.

A Promised Speech. Senator Paddock, of Nebraska, has given notice that he will on Monday next address the Scente on the subject of agriculture. As this grand industry embraces among its folowers the overwhelming majority of the Senator's constituents, his speech will be of especial interest to them, as it will also be to the farmers and producers of the country at large, for he has prepared himself with an array of statistics and arguments bearing upon the general welfare of the entire community. He is capable of handling the subject in an exhaust-ive manner, and will undoubtedly exert himself to do it justice.

Protective Life Insurance.

The bill to incoporate a life insurance company on the distinctive plan of depositing the the failure of the company to meet the colley claims as they fall due. This principle has already been adopted in Iowa and Kansas and is incorporated in their general statutes upon the formation of companies in these States.

Hon. Julius L. Clarke, for many years Insurance Commissioner, and now State Auditor of Massachusetts, speaks of this bill as follows:

Its important features are summents recovered.

security of the net values or reserves of all out-standing policies and annuity bonds issued by the company. The semi-annual computation of the reserves, which make up the aggregate value of such policies and bonds and the safe investment and deposit of the amount thereof in Government custody for the benefit of the assured are in them-selves a perfect plecing of protection in that behalf both to the custodian and to the claimant.

Hon. Orrin T. Welch, Superintendent of In-grance for Kansas, says: I am frank to say that a deposit system similar to the one proposed for the National Security Life is the only true policy for securing the lusticed.

The Constitutional Amendments. The following is the text of the resolution: proposed by Mr. Edmunds on the 7th of Janu ary, which have been under discussion in the Scuate, and which were adopted last night:

which provides for abolishing the tax on day Mr. French, the Chief Clark, found in a Mr. Richardson, of Detroit, Mich., was heard inclosing a two-dollar bill, with the following explanation:

which he states his objection to Mr. Blaine's this confiding man will be returned to him, bill for the reorganization of the navy. He and if he shall prove to be the lowest bidder

A Hearing Postponed.

Ex-Senator Scott, of Penusylvania, and other gentlemen representing the practical operation of railroads were present last night at the Capitol, expecting to be heard by the Senate subcommittee on Commerce on the House bill regulating interstate commerce and preventing unjust discrimination in freights; but, owing to the Senate being in session, Schator Spencor informed them that the meeting would necessarily be postponed until next Tuesday evening, at half-past seven o'clock, when the opponents of the bill will be heard.

In compliance with a resolution of the 29th ultimo, the Secretary of the Treasury has sent to the House a communication, accompanied by a statement of drawbacks paid on sugars, influen syrups, and molasses during the fiscal year

Nominations. The President sent the following nomina-

lons to the Senate yesterday : New Idria Quicksilver Mines of California.

The vote upon the question of recommending the passage of the bill was 5 against 3, as follows: Ayes—Messrs, Fuller, Wigginton, Sapp. Patterson (of Colorado), and Majors. Noes—Messrs, Ketchum, Hewitt (of Alabama), and Wright.

The principal parties to the contemplated suit would be the United States, the New Idria Mining Company, and William McGartalan.

The President also sent to be collector of customs at New Orleans, vice George L. Smith, to be removed; William L. McMillen to be postomated as collector: Digby V. Bell, collector of toms at Detroit, Mich.—a reappointment.

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Senutarial Canena

A caucus of Ropublican Senators was held yesterday to arrange an order of business for bis influence St. Martin secured the appoint tional banks as security for circulating notes the remainder of the session and facilitate its on the 1st of February was \$348,539,200; of this amount \$07,961,650 were 6 per cent. bonds, of a committee was appointed to take the subject which \$53,907,500 were sixes of 1881, \$5,054,000 into consideration and report to a future

The Remaining Appropriation Bills. The subcommittee of the House Appropria tion Committee were engaged vesterday in the preparation of the sundry civil and deficiency propriation bills, and will continue daily un til the bills are completed.

Capitol and Departmental Notes. Subscriptions to the 4 per cent. loan yester-day amounted to \$2,425,800.

Rovenue receipts yesterday were-from inernal revenue, \$238,817.48; from customs, The Citizens' National Bank, Keene, N. H.

has been designated a depository of public moneys to receive deposits on account of subcriptions to the 4 per cent, loan of the United Commissioner-General McCormick is engaged

in the labor of preparing his general report of the work of his office at the Paris Exposition. Reports are daily received from the assistant commissioners, and it is probable that they will all be received by the 1st of March.

It is officially announced that the Department of State will be prepared to distribute, on and after Wednesday, February 13, the third installment of the indemnity due from Mexico to citizens of the United States under the convention of 1808 between the two completes. Captain George A. Porington, Ninth Cav-

alry, is directed to conduct a detachment of recruits to Fort Reno, Indian Perritory. Cap-tain Thomas F. Quinn, Fourth Infantry, is ordered to conduct a detachment of recruits to the Ninetecuth Infantry, at Fort Lyon, Col The President has approved the act making

school board of the Southern Baptist conven-Mr. George Cowey, of the Treasury Department, submitted his statement of the entries in the fee-book and blotter of the Shanghai consulate to the Committee on Expenditures in the State Department reference on the S

until Friday. Outstanding circulation of legal-tender notes

MODEL INVESTIGATION.

How the New Orleans Inquiries were Conducted.

The Part Taken by Gibson, Weber, and Maddox-Work for the Committee Laid Out for Them-Statement of Maddox Yesterday-His Part to Coach Queer Proceedings.

The Louisiana Certificates.

Sheridan got his information from you that the certificates were lacking.—A. I do not so un-derstand it. I had seen, if I remember rightly, statements of the matter in the press, and the day I called at Mr. Foster's office that gen-tleman and Mr. Sheridan mentioned the fact

to me,

Mr. Sheldon said he knew nothing of the "Snith" certificate: never hoard of it until lie saw it mentioned in the press.

In reply to Mr. Cox, witness testified that it was agreed by Republican and Democratic representatives visiting Louisiana previous to

to the count that the returning board had logal power to throw out parishes where fraud or intimidation occurred.

Business Transacted—The Protest of Colored Citizens.

The Board of Fire Commissioners met last

It was a generally concoded fact that the ma-jority of the ballots were for Mr. Tilden. Whether the evidence before the board justified whether calcevinates before the bad no knowledge whatever. He never heard of or saw may member of citier political party visiting Louisiana using endeavors to influence the action of the board. Witness inquired of E. L. Weber, previous to the latter's departure for Washington, what, if anything, be knew about the "Sherman letter." Weber he knew about the "Sherman letter." Weber stated that he knew all about it, but did not choose to talk upon the subject at that time. In answer to interrogatories by Mr. Mc-Malion witness testified that he had no knowledge of any of the visiting statesmen having inferviews with Mesers. Weber and

don, and took a recess until three p. m.

The committee reassombled at four o'clock.

Joseph H. Maddox, being sworn, was examined by the chairman relative to the charges contained in the affidavit of Mr. St. Martin. Mr. Maddox denied every assertion made by St. Martin, and said that he never converses with St. Martin previous to his appointment as deputy sergeant at arms on the Louisiana sub-committee. He thought, however, that through nent, he having mentioned him as a good may or the place. He never gave St. Martin sub ponas to serve upon witnesses; did not witness the examination of Dula'by the subcommit-tee, and had nothing to do with the preparation of the testimony of the witnesses in New Orleans until after the termination of Dula's examination; he had frequent conver-sations with Weber in regard to certain wit nesses who Weber claimed would corroborate his testimony. Mudday's duty in New Orleans was to interview witnesses as they arrived in the city, ascertain all the points of the testimony they would give, and prepare a memo random thereof for the guidance of the Demo

eratic members of the subcommittee, By Mr. Potter—Who was the first witne by Mr. Potter—who was the first witness you thus examined?—A. I cannot say: I examined them as they were brought to me; sometimes several came at once. Mr. Maddox then stated that he went to New Orleans at the instance of Mr. Gibson, of the New York

In reply to further interrogatories he said ! The reply of a factor interrogators he said it was his understanding that Messrs. Armsted Dimean, and Stewart were to corroborate Weber's testimony. He was informed by St. Martin and Weber what the substance of their testimony would be, and accordingly prepared is memoranda for the committee. ther questions were put, but nothing of inter-

est elicited. The chairman inquired of Mr. Cox if he de dred to proceed with the cross-examination and that gentleman replied that he would pre-ler not doing so until Mr. Shellabarger, counse or Secretary Sherman, was present. It was herefore agreed that the cross-examination e deferred until to-day, and the committee djourned.

WASHINGTON TREATY.

Fishermen's Claims.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., Feb. 5.-Dwight Foster and William H. Trescote, counsel for the appropriation for the purchase of a site and owners of twenty of the Gloucester fishing for the erection thereou of a military post at El Psso, Texas. Also an act for the relief of the domestic and Indian missions and Sunday in January, 1878, have filed with the Secretary of the Southern Bautist convention. Also the act to create an additional land tary of State claims for damages varying from \$37 to \$5,000 per vessel, according to expenses the State Department yestenday, as per instructions at a previous meeting. Nothing of public interest was developed in connection therewith, and the committee then adjourned

\$5,500,000 are of questionable value.

Financially Embacrassed. pany on the distinctive plan of depositing the reserve in the United States Treasury continues to attract supporters from all directions. It furnishes a basis broad and substantial for the employment of the best talent now engaged in that line of business. It will secure to policy holders the utmost possible guarantee against the failure of the company to meet the palley.

Outstanding circulation of legat-tender notes and fractional currency: United States notes, series 1869, \$130,132,371; United States notes, series 1874, \$33,417,522; United States notes, series 1875, \$33,417,522; United States notes, with embarrassment. Its paper went to produce the part of the building and machinery is \$20,000. The company is \$154,000. The total cost of the building and machinery is \$20,000. The company has a funded debt of the failure of the company to meet the palley. WESTPIELD, Mass., Feb. 5,-The Salmo

BALTIMORE, Feb. 5 .- A shiprigger named hu F. Brown was found dead in bod at his iouse, in South Baltimore, yesterday forenoon. surance Company, to further alvocacy of an appropriation of \$500,000 for the improvement in character and purpose, in so far as they guarant to the population of \$500,000 for the improvement in character and purpose, in so far as they guarant to the population of \$500,000 for the improvement of the Delaware River. They were accomplisted possibility of impairment perpetual panied by Representatives O'Neill and Ward, panied by Representatives O'Neill and Ward,

Tribe, No. 34, Improved Order of Red Men, and, it is said, while the records of the score tary show that \$3,000 had been placed with lary show that \$2,000 had been placed with Brown, as treasurer, for safe keeping, his bank-book as treasurer showed less than \$13 to the credit of his tribe. The suicide is attributed to this alleged defalcation. Brown was a Prussian by birth, was forty-eight years old, and a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Odd-Peliows.

The Chicago Excursionists.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 30 (via Havana, Feb. .- The commercial visitors from the United States were received here in a most hospitable manner by both the government and people, and were well satisfied with their reception. Migrel Kuelas had been appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs, It was understood he would support Benitez for the Presidency.

The Billiard Tournament.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 .- The twenty-fourth billiard game was between Daly and Rudolphe, the former winning-600 to 508. The twenty-fifth game was wen by Schaefer, 600, to Sexton

The New Naval Observatory,

disconting lower and that it the disty of the executive department for the flower ment fidthfully and with diligence to earry all such laws into Governor Kellogg's secretary, was presented to that cond.

Resided, Infert, That it is the shurth properties of all clibrates of the United States logally qualified in the right to vote for Representatives in Congress, and to this end the Committee on the Judiciary is and it have the punishment of infractions thereof.

A Heavy Inducement.

In opening proposals for carrying the malis in the State of Missouri at the office of the Cabinet as State of Missouri at the office of the State of Missou Mr. Sargent introduced in the Senate yestersame time. He thought H. Conquest Clark, day a bill authorizing the purchase of a site

Decrease of British Commerce.

A tabular statement prepared by the Bureau of Statistics of the exports and imports of Great Britain and Ireland for the year 1878. as compared with the preceding year, shows a

Business Transacted—The Protest of Colored
Citizens.

The Board of Fire Commissioners met last
evening, Mr. Collins in the chair. The Chief
Engineer submitted his report for the month
of January, which showed that there were \$6.800, on which there was an insurance of \$5,700. He also calls attention to the necessity of all the public buildings being provided with

fire escapes. Superintendent Miles, of the fire-alarm telegraph, in his report, which was also submitted, states that two new signal boxes have been placed in position as follows: No. 39, at the new engine house, on New Hampshire avenue, near M street, and No. 65, on North Capitol, Andersoe. The latter had told him that he had been promised a naval office by Mr. Nash and Mr. Darrall for services performed in behalf of the Republican party.

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were received from the following and placed on file: W. A. McCallum, & Trahey, W. B. Brown, J. M. Faster, W. A. Hutcherson, R. H. King, C. G. Griffin, J. Flynn, and R. T. Brown Thomas Martin, fireman of No. 3 company was promoted to be engineer of No. 6 company vice J. W. Castell, resigned, and Walter Cox.

f No. 2 company, was made fireman of No. 2 ice Martin, promoted. A communication was read from the District Commissioners, referring for report a project of colored citizeus that their race had been un-fairly dealt with in making the recent ap-pointments in the Fire Department,

tion, which stated that in appointing member of the Fire Department a short time ago the board was governed solely by the fitness of the men for discharging their duties as firemen, without regard to race or color. This course was in accordance with law and for the best interests of the Fire Department. The ap-pointments were made from nearly 500 applicants, and no man was appointed because he was white nor rejected for being black. A proposition from Messrs Clapp & Jones, engine builders, of New York, to take the four

old engines now in use and \$11,000 and fur nish new ones was disagreed to. After which the board adjourned.

New City Post-Office.

The report of the mivisory commission se cted by the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds of the House of Representatives charged with the selection of a site or build ing for the Washington city post-office, is to

First-That the need is great for such an office and its removal from the present building, the room being needed for the General Post-Office, Second-The creetion of a permanent build-

ing in the city for a post-office.

Third—The purchase of the Centennial building, owned by A. D. Jessup, of Philadelphia, if the price asked is a reasonable one; if not, the rental of a building at \$10,000 per an

num. Fourth—The appraisement and purchase of square west of General Post-Office building as a site for the new post-office, either by appraise-ment or condemnation.

This commission consisted of Hou. M.

Blair, ex-Postmaster-General Thomas Brady, Second Assistant Postmaster-General John McArtiaur, jr., architects in charge of Government and State buildings, Philadeiphia; Edward Clark, Architect of Capitol, and W. P. S. Sanger, chief engineer Navy Department, and evidently is a well posted commission. The inforcements the Jesson buildings The inference is that the Jessup buildings corner Twelfth street and Penusylvania av-enne, will be selected, as the Government already occupies the upper five stories, and by purchase would get post-office accommodations

One of the committee of the House remarked vesterday that he would sooner be kicked from Washington to New York than serve on such a committee, as every person who had a vacant lot to sell was clamorous for its adoption and buttonholed him at every corner to urge his

- Miss May Marshall's March. The plucky female palestricane, Miss May

Marshall, was still tramping this morning at three o'clock, at which time she had 1,557 quarters to her credit. The gymnasium was comfortably fliled with spectators yesterday slight inconvenience yesterday from her left foot, two of her toes being somewhat braised and rubbed. She limped considerably, but by flut of careful nursing soon recovered, and

FOREIGN NEWS BY CABLE.

The Forthcoming Message of President Grevy.

A Satisfactory Paper Anticipated-Liverpool Workingmen's Troubles - American Cattle in England-The Plague Spreading - New Cases Reported-Insecure Quarantine Regulations.

President Gravy's Message,

Paris, Feb. 5 .- To-day's Cabinet council discussed the forthcoming Presidential message. La Liberte says the message embodies moderate political views. In regard to the conomic question it adheres to the principles upon which the last treaties of commerce are based. The Estafette says the message gives every satisfaction to the Left in regard to changes of office-holders.

A PROTESTANT CABINET. LONDON, Feb. 5 .- The Times' Paris correspondent says five members of the Cabinet as

pointed Ambassador at Vienna.

The Pouyer-Quertier Cable company.

London, Feb. 6.—The Times Paris financial correspondent telegraphs that the real position of the Pouyer-Quertier Cable Company is as follows: The capital is assured by the financial group already known, the conditions of the construction contract are fixed, and the security for the French concession is already lodged with the government.

RETIFIE LAROR TROUBLES.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The distress among the laboring population of Glasgow is beginning to decrease and the number on the roll of the unemployed is gradually diminishing.

LIVERDOOL, Feb. 5.—It is said that a few of the striking dock laborers have submitted to the reduction of wages. Some additional inborers were obtained from Glasgow and Bristol, and the stemmers City of Richmond, for New York, and Hibernia, for Baltimore, were thus enabled to sail as advertised. The majority of the strikers, however, remain firm.

considerable decrease in both exports and imports. The decrease in the former was £5,088,131, and in the latter £28,214,295.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS.

Engineer Transported. The Protest of Colored after the Liverpool docks will be withdrawn after Mayor L unless writing in the latter forms.

of January, which showed that there were disease act.

thirteen alarms of fire involving a loss of London, Feb. 5.—The slaughter of the cargo of cattle brought by the steamer Ontario, which has been completed at the abattoir in Liver-pool, under the supervision of eminent veter-

pool, under the supervision of eminent veter-inary authority specially familiar with pleuro-pneumonia, disclosed the fact that several other cattle besides those previously detected had suffered from pleuro-pneumonia, and that the disease was of a very pronounced con-tagions type. The examiner has returned to London to report to the veterinary department of the privy council.

The consignment of cattle by the steamer Iberian, which arrived at Livernool vesterday

Board to facilitate this.

The ten days' grace allowed by orders in council are said to be sufficient for the trade

rovided against infection without probabiling to importation of eattle. Near the north tooks of Liverpool there is, it is claimed, ample marks of Liverpool there is, it is calined, ample roun to provide an abattoir for the slaughter of catrle on landing.

QUARANTINE AGAINST THE PLAGUE,
MALTA, Feb. 5.—The authorities have decided to impose twenty-one days' quarantine on vessels arriving from Russian ports on the Black Sea and Sea of Agof.

NEW CASES—EVASION OF QUARANTINE, LONDON, Feb. 6.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Telegraph says four more fathleases of the plague are reported at Seli-treno. The correspondent is personally cog-nizant of two successful equations of the mili-

tay cordon, which is very inefficient tay cordon, which is very inefficient.

THE TURCO-RUSSIAN TREATY.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Accounts from Constantishople and St. Petersburg concur in representing that the signature of the definitive treaty etween Russia and Turkey is delayed until Pedgoritza is surrendered to Montenegro. The evacuation begins on the 5th inst, when the treaty will be signed if not before, and Prince Labanoff, the Russian Ambassador at Constantinople, will make a simultaneous declaration regarding the withdrawal of the troops. Sevarating the withdrawal of the troops. eral members of the diplomatic corps yesterday congratulated Prince Labanoff upon the satis-factory issue of this negotiation. SOCIALISTS' STRENGTH.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The Standard's dispatch from Breslau states that at the supplementary election there for member of the Reichstag the Socialist candidate received 5.175 votes, the Liberal 0,564, and the Conservative 2.845.

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The government is much annoyed at the strength manifested by the Socialists. BRUSSELS, Feb. 5.—Henry M. Stanley, the explorer, was present at the recent meeting of the conference on the civilization of Africa, and stated that he would lead the Belgium ex-ploring expedition which is soon to start for

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Reuter's telegram from St. Petersburg says it is reported there that Lord Dufferin has been appointed British Amssador to Russia, in place of Lord Augustus

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the Powers, BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The Dantsic municipality has memorialized Prince Bismarck and the Bundearath in favor of free trade. London, Feb. 6.—The Berlin correspondent f the Times says the publication of the Austro-ferman treaty cannot fail to open the eyes of

London, Pol. 5. Steel & Craig, grain mer-ants, of Glasgow, have failed. Liabilities,

250,000.

HAYANA, Feb. 5.—Captain-General Martinez
Campos sailed for Spain to-day. The duties of
the government are temporarily transferred to
Vice-Governor-General Cayetano Figueros. More Buildozers Indicted. New ORLEANS, Feb. 5.—The grand jury to-day found indictments against twenty-five

sersons in Caldo, Tennas, Natchifoches, and Orienna Parishes for violation of election

Steamboat Fired Into.

NEW OBLEANS, Feb. 5.—The steamboat John Wilson was fired into above Waterloo Friday night by parties on shere. The mate was wounded.